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Title (Amended): METHOD FOR : International Business Machines Corporation

SELECTING A SERVICE BINDING : 2455 South Road, Mail Station P386

PROTOCOL IN A SERVICE-ORIENTED : Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office action of June 27, 2008, please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3.

Remarks begin on page 5.